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SOURCE Rzeczpospolita.NEW HOG-CONTRACTING PROGRAMS,  
HARVEST PREPARATIONS UNDER WAY

PREPARATORY WORK DONE -- Rzeczpospolita, No 187, 10 Jul 49

Preparatory work has been completed on the new hog-contracting program in Krakow Wojewodztwo. It is anticipated that in 1950 138,000 fattened hogs will be contracted for. Meetings on this program were held in all powiats of Krakow Wojewodztwo.

It is planned that during 1950 120,000 fattened hogs and 57,000 bacon hogs will be contracted for in Rzeszow Wojewodztwo.

Farmers will receive a premium of 8 - 12 zlotys per kilogram (liveweight) for their hogs.

HARVESTING PREPARATIONS MADE BY STATE FARMS -- Rzeczpospolita, No 187, 10 Jul 49

Preparatory work for harvesting has been completed by all PGRs (Panstwowe Gospodarstwa Rolne, State Farms). In this year's harvest the PGRs will use modern harvester-thresher combines supplied by the USSR in accordance with the trade pact. This is the first time that combines will be used in Poland.

The PGRs are well equipped with threshing machines, many of which have been received from the USSR and Czechoslovakia. The daily output of all threshing machines amounts to 30,000 tons of grain. The PGRs also have 1,600 road locomotives, 1,100 internal combustion engines, a large number of electric motors, and nearly 750 tractors. The PGR harvest for 1949 is expected to be 15 percent greater than in 1948 because of an increase in cultivated area.

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YOUTH MOBILIZED FOR HARVEST WORK -- Rzeczpospolita, No 206, 29 Jul 49

Because of the necessity for rapid work during harvest time, Polish youth was mobilized to help in harvest work on the PGRs and on small- and medium-sized farms belonging to peasants. Members of the Union of Polish Youth, members of Service for Poland, and Boy Scout detachments helped in the work.

COOPERATIVES TO PURCHASE GRAIN -- Rzeczpospolita, No 206, 29 Jul 49

During 1949, 2,657 centers in village Peasant Self-Aid cooperatives will conduct grain purchases. These centers have storage space for a 10-day supply of grain. In addition, storage space has been reserved for products such as seed, rape, forage, etc.

On 20 July 1949, the State Agricultural Bank assigned special credits of 2,400,000 zlotys to the village cooperatives for the purchase of grain. If the need arises, the bank will issue additional credits for this purpose.

WARSAW WORKERS' CONFERENCE OPENS -- Rzeczpospolita, No 188, 11 Jul 49

The First Conference of the United Workers' Party of Warsaw Wojewodztwo opened on 10 July. In his report, Julian Tokarski, first secretary of the Conference, made the following statements:

Warsaw Wojewodztwo has 321 State Farms covering 68,500 hectares and employing 9,000 workers.

The first productive cooperatives in this wojewodztwo were organized in April.

A proper attitude towards peasants with medium-sized holdings should be developed to differentiate them from wealthy peasants.

The problem of land tax and SFGR (Savings Fund for Agricultural Investment) levies is a problem of class policy. The peasantry and party members should see that these taxes are paid and thus prevent rich peasants from concealing the size of their holdings.

A 10-percent increase in the crop yield from one hectare has resulted from the rural educational campaign of the Wojewodztwo Committee.

In connection with the industrial development of Warsaw Wojewodztwo, the greater part of the investment will be made in the northeastern powiats; 19 new factories including eight large brick kilns will be opened, employing 15,000 by 1955.

The development of local industries will play a large part in the development of the wojewodztwo. During the 6-year period, 317 enterprises connected with rural economy will be organized.

PGR PONDS TO BE RESTOCKED -- Rzeczpospolita, No 186, 9 Jul 49

The Fishing Inspectorate of the PGR, in agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, has worked out a plan to increase the 1949 stock of fish in ponds on the PGRs. According to plan, PGR ponds will produce, during 1949, 1,800 tons of carp, 84 tons of pike, and 20 tons of

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tench. On an average, the ponds will produce 111 kilograms of fish per hectare. During 1946-1947 the catch was 70 kilograms per hectare; in 1947-1948, 91 kilograms; in 1948-1949, 111 kilograms. In 1949-1950, the catch will be 120 - 150 kilograms per hectare.

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